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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

Between
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, WDGS
and
The Director of Naval Intelligence
and
Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Intelligence, A. A. F.

1. It is recognized that:

- a. Captured enemy documents constitute one of the principal sources of information for United States intelligence agencies.
- b. Documents contain information pertaining to all aspects of ground, naval, air intelligence, and other military intelligence.
- c. Individual documents very frequently contain information of different types and pertaining to two or more intelligence agencies.
- d. The information from captured documents can be used to facilitate the interrogation of prisoners of war.
- e. The optimum results can best be obtained by collecting and exploiting enemy documents by a single agency which is in close liaison with the prisoner of war interrogation centers.

2. It is therefore agreed to:

- a. Establish the Pacific Military Intelligence Research Section near Washington, D. C., under the supervision of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff, for the purpose of extracting information from captured Japanese documents.
- b. Organize the Pacific Military Intelligence Research Section in a manner similar to the London Branch, Military Intelligence Research Section.
- c. Transmit as expeditiously as possible through Intelligence channels all captured Japanese documents and reports of Japanese prisoner of war interrogations from the various theaters in the Far East and Pacific Ocean areas to the Pacific Branch, Military Intelligence Research Section.

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d. Provide the Japanese language specialists as outlined in Tab a herewith.

e. Permit other United States Government intelligence agencies to participate in the research activity upon the unanimous consent of, and upon the conditions stipulated by, the signatories of this agreement.

f. Invite the British Army to participate in the operation of the Pacific Branch, Military Intelligence Research Section, under the conditions prescribed by the signatories of this agreement.

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1 Incl.:
Tab A